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Submitted herewith is the following patent application:

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## Title: CRYPTOGRAPHIC KEY SPLIT COMBINER

### The application includes:

- A description pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.71.
- At least one claim pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.75.
- Drawings pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.81(a) (2 sheets)
- Claim for Priority

In view of the above, it is requested that this application be accorded a filing date pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b). Priority of prior Provisional Application serial number 60/039,696 filed February 13, 1997, is hereby claimed under the provisions of 35 USC §119(e).

A Declaration signed by the inventors and the filing fee will be submitted in due course.

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